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## House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, on May 3, 2007, the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry is launching in Missouri the Show-Me Scholar Initiative, an education program designed to engage Missouri's business community in motivating students to take more challenging courses in high school; and

Whereas, studies have proven that the courses students take in high school is a more accurate predictor of success than grades, test scores, or class rank; and

Whereas, students who graduate as Show-Me Scholars will develop more sound decision and critical thinking skills, will be more prepared for college and less likely to need costly remedial courses, will be stronger candidates for scholarships and have enhanced opportunities for placement and future advancement with local and international employers; and

Whereas, the students of the Houston Middle School are among the first students in the state to accept the Show-Me Scholars challenge; and

Whereas, business and education leaders of the Houston community and the Houston Area Chamber of Commerce are playing a key role in the success of this program and helping Houston youth attain a better education and quality of life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to commend the students of the Houston Middle School for accepting the Show-Me Scholars challenge to complete the Core Course of Study and to be among the first class of Missouri Show-Me Scholars and to commend the efforts of the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Houston Area Chamber of Commerce, the Houston School District, and the volunteers involved in the program for making a difference in the education of our youth; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Houston Middle School.

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